

**ABSTRACT**

The present invention discloses a method for processing batch jobs. A batch job is wrapped to create an application programming interface for communication with a batch framework. The batch framework comprises a batch dispatcher class, and the batch dispatcher  
5 class further comprises a method to execute the batch job. The batch framework is invoked according to a predetermined schedule. The batch job may reside locally with the batch framework remotely from the batch framework. In a preferred embodiment, the batch framework is invoked by a scheduling service, preferably the AutoSys scheduling service on Unix platform. The AutoSys scheduling service further executes a command line parameter,  
10 either a Unix shell script or a Windows NT batch file.